Order

Michigan Supreme Court Lansing, Michigan

June 28, 2011

ADM File No. 2010-13

Proposed Amendment of Rule 6.001 of the Michigan Court Rules Robert P. Young, Jr., Chief Justice

Michael F. Cavanagh Marilyn Kelly Stephen J. Markman Diane M. Hathaway Mary Beth Kelly Brian K. Zahra, Justices

On order of the Court, this is to advise that the Court is considering an amendment of Rule 6.001 of the Michigan Court Rules. Before determining whether the proposal should be adopted, changed before adoption, or rejected, this notice is given to afford interested persons the opportunity to comment on the form or the merits of the proposal or to suggest alternatives. The Court welcomes the views of all. This matter also will be considered at a public hearing. The notices and agendas for public hearings are posted at www.courts.michigan.gov/supremecourt/resources/administrative/ph.htm.

Publication of this proposal does not mean that the Court will issue an order on the subject, nor does it imply probable adoption of the proposal in its present form.

[Additions are indicated by underlining and deletions are indicated by strikeover.]

Rule 6.001 Scope; Applicability of Civil Rules; Superseded Rules and Statutes

- (A) Felony Cases. The rules in subchapters 6.000-6.500 govern matters of procedure in criminal cases cognizable in the circuit courts and in courts of equivalent criminal jurisdiction, and are applicable after indictment or information and shall not be operative before or during any preliminary hearing.
- (B) Misdemeanor Cases. MCR 6.001-6.004, 6.005(B) and (C), 6.006, 6.102(D) and (F), 6.106, 6.125, 6.427, 6.445(A)-(G), and the rules in subchapters 6.600-6.800 govern matters of procedure in criminal cases cognizable in the district courts.

(C)-(E)[Unchanged.]

<u>Staff Comment:</u> The intent of this proposed amendment is to clarify that discovery, which is not allowed under subsection (B) in criminal cases cognizable in the

district courts, may be allowed after indictment or information following the preliminary hearing.

The staff comment is not an authoritative construction by the Court.

A copy of this order will be given to the Secretary of the State Bar and to the State Court Administrator so that they can make the notifications specified in MCR 1.201. Comments on the proposal may be sent to the Supreme Court Clerk in writing or electronically by October 1, 2011, at P.O. Box 30052, Lansing, MI 48909, or MSC clerk@courts.mi.gov. When filing a comment, please refer to ADM File No. 2010-13. Your comments and the comments of others will be posted at www.courts.mi.gov/supremecourt/resources/administrative/index.htm.



I, Corbin R. Davis, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

June 28, 2011

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Clerk